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The House convened at 1:30 p.m. with the Speaker in the Chair.

The invocation was offered by Representative Matthew D. Whetstone.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Representative William A. Crawford.

The Speaker ordered the roll of the House to be called:

T. Adams ☐	Kromkowski
Aguilera	Kruse ☐
Alderman	Kuzman
Austin	LaPlante
Avery	L. Lawson
Ayres	Lehe
Bardon	Leonard
Becker	Liggett
Behning	J. Lutz
Bischoff ☐	Lytle
Borror	Mahern
Bosma	Mangus
Bottorff	Mays
C. Brown ☐	McClain ☐
T. Brown	Moses
Buck	Murphy
Budak	Neese
Buell	Noe
Burton	Orentlicher
Cheney	Oxley
Cherry	Pelath
Chowning	Pflum
Cochran	Pierce
Crawford	Pond
Crooks ☐	Porter
Day	Reske
Denbo	Richardson
Dickinson	Ripley
Dobis ☐	Robertson
Duncan	Ruppel
Dvorak ☐	Saunders
Espich	Scholer
Foley	V. Smith
Frenz	Stevenson
Friend	Stilwell
Frizzell	Stine
Fry	Stutzman ☐
GiaQuinta	Summers
Goodin	Thomas
Grubb	Thompson
Gutwein	Torr
Harris	Turner
Hasler	Ulmer
Heim	Weinzapfel
Herrell	Welch
Hinkle	Whetstone
Hoffman	Wolkins ☐
Kersey	D. Young ☐
Klinker	Yount
Koch	Mr. Speaker

Roll Call 398: 89 present; 10 excused; 1 absent. The Speaker announced a quorum in attendance. [NOTE: ☐ indicates those who were excused and ☐ indicates those who were absent.]

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that when we do adjourn, we adjourn until Thursday, March 13, 2003, at 11:00 a.m.

KUZMAN

Motion prevailed.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed Senate Concurrent Resolutions 5 and 34 and the same are herewith transmitted to the House for further action.

MARY C. MENDEL
Principal Secretary of the Senate

RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING

House Concurrent Resolution 28

Representatives Welch and Pierce introduced House Concurrent Resolution 28:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring the Batchelor Middle School audio visual class.

Whereas, The students at Batchelor Middle School, Bloomington, Indiana, can be justifiably proud of their accomplishments;

Whereas, The students submitted four video related projects at the International Student Media Festival and won awards from the Association for Educational Communication and Technology for all four projects;

Whereas, The projects submitted by these talented students were "Welcome Future Bulldogs", which won the Intermediate (grades 5 through 8) Live Action Video: Instructional category, "A Christmas Carol", which won the Intermediate Live Action Video: Drama category, "B-TV Central", which won the Intermediate Site-Based Web-Site category, and "The Legend of Stepp Cemetery", which won the Intermediate Sequential Stills: Drama category;

Whereas, "A Christmas Carol" also won the Judging Coordinator's Special Award for the top overall Intermediate Live Action Video (all categories combined);

Whereas, "Welcome Future Bulldogs" was awarded the Middle School Spotlight on the Arts Award from the National School Board Association, the only middle school project in the nation to be given this award;

Whereas, The class received first place awards in the Philo T. Farnsworth Video Contest for programs airing on Community Access Television for "A Christmas Carol" and "Tales of Terror 2001";

Whereas, The class was also chosen to be a member of the CNN Student Bureau, making it one of an elite group of middle school programs in the nation to be selected for this honor;

Whereas, The audio visual program at Batchelor Middle School began as an extra curricular activity and became a class in 1996-1997;

Whereas, There is a true sense of pride among the students in the audio visual class;

Whereas, Students arrive as early as 6 a.m. and stay as late as 9 p.m. to work on the projects;

Whereas, The students grow and develop personally as well as intellectually through the efforts of their teacher, Jeff Rudkin, who

considers himself to be a facilitator rather than a teacher; and

Whereas, The students involved in this project learn valuable life lessons like attention to detail, hard work, problem solving, and a sense of responsibility that will help them throughout their lives and can lead to future success in any endeavor they may undertake: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly wishes to congratulate the students of Batchelor Middle School and their teacher for the national recognition that they have so deservedly received and to encourage them to use the lessons they have learned throughout their lives.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to the students at Batchelor Middle School, teacher Jeff Rudkin, and principal Peggy Chambers.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution. Senate sponsor: Senator Simpson.

The Speaker yielded the gavel to the Deputy Speaker Pro Tempore, Representative Harris.

House Concurrent Resolution 29

Representatives Crawford, Bardon, Day, Dickinson, Mahern, Mays, Orentlicher, Porter, Summers, Bosma, Buell, Hinkle, and Murphy introduced House Concurrent Resolution 29:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION recognizing Father Hardin, Alpha Blackburn, Bill Mays, George Pillow, Joe Slash, and Reverend Charles Williams for their many contributions to the state of Indiana.

Whereas, The true measure of leadership is the ability to turn vision into reality. These men and women we recognize here today are leaders who are not only a part of African American history but also Indiana history. Through their vision, significant institutions have become a part of the economic, educational, and spiritual fabric of Indiana;

Whereas, Father Hardin had a vision that evolved from one room in a basement to a significant fully accredited university that has graduated over 800 students with four-year bachelors degrees;

Whereas, Alpha Blackburn and her late husband Walter Blackburn had a vision of a community that recognizes the importance of the arts and humanities as manifested through architectural projects they worked on such as the RCA Dome and Indianapolis Convention Center, Indiana Artsgarden, Purdue University Multi-Cultural Center, and the National Underground Railroad Center;

Whereas, Bill Mays had a vision as a former employee of Cummins Engine Company of creating an independent business that has grown to be one of the nation's largest African American businesses and the largest African American businesses in Indiana, Mays Chemical, which has 180 employees and grosses \$162 million annually;

Whereas, George Pillow, a graduate of Indiana State University, had a vision of creating and expanding minority business in Indianapolis and, through his work as the education chairperson for the Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce, had a goal to improve the academic achievement for students throughout the state of Indiana;

Whereas, Joe Slash had a vision of pursuing an accounting degree at Marshall University and subsequently came to the city of Indianapolis with his certification as a public accountant and began to serve both business and the community at large by providing accounting services to many not-for-profits including the Indiana Black Expo, the Mozel Sanders Dinner, and the Indianapolis Urban League, where Mr. Slash is the interim CEO; through government by serving as Senior Deputy Mayor in the Hudnut Administration; and by serving as a senior executive at IPALCO;

Whereas, The Reverend Charles Williams epitomizes those religious leaders who take their "Thus sayeth the Lord" from the pulpit to the streets and executive suites with a vision to empower all citizens economically, educationally, politically, socially, and spiritually;

Whereas, Under Reverend Williams' leadership the Indiana Black Expo has become the largest and most enduring display of African American arts, culture, heritages, and history in the world; and

Whereas, Bill Mays, George Pillow, Joe Slash, and Reverend Charles Williams form the executive think tank of one of America's premier sporting events, the Coca Cola Circle City Classic, which contributes significantly to the economic viability of the Hoosier capital city's downtown area and the entire state: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly acknowledges the many outstanding contributions and the visionary leadership of Father Hardin, Alpha Blackburn, Bill Mays, George Pillow, Joe Slash, and Reverend Charles Williams which have improved the quality of life for all Hoosiers and thanks them on behalf of the citizens of the state of Indiana.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Father Hardin, Alpha Blackburn, Bill Mays, George Pillow, Joe Slash, and Reverend Charles Williams.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution. Senate sponsors: Senators Howard and Breaux.

House Concurrent Resolution 30

Representative Foley introduced House Concurrent Resolution 30:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring Helen B. Davis on the occasion of her 100th birthday.

Whereas, Centenarians help us to understand what it is like to live for 100 years, and their lives give us valuable insight into the development of our country;

Whereas, Helen B. Davis will be 100 years old on February 24, 2003;

Whereas, Helen worked as a volunteer for the American Red Cross for over 20 years and, in 1988, was named the Outstanding Morgan County volunteer;

Whereas, In 1977, Helen received the highest volunteer award in Indianapolis, the Rose Sussman Award;

Whereas, Helen B. Davis dedicated her life to the education of children, serving as the Dean of Girls at Martinsville High School from 1946 through 1965 and continuing to teach until 1971;

Whereas, Centenarians like Helen B. Davis play an important role in establishing a connection to our past for the younger generations of Indiana: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly congratulates Helen B. Davis on the occasion of her 100th birthday and wishes her health and happiness in the years to come.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Helen B. Davis.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution. Senate sponsor: Senator Bray.

House Concurrent Resolution 31

Representatives Klinker, Bauer, Scholer, and Duncan introduced House Concurrent Resolution 31:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring Maribeth Schmitt.

Whereas, Dr. Maribeth Schmitt is the president of the Reading Recovery Council of North America, an 11,000 member organization of professional educators;

Whereas, She started the Purdue University Reading Recovery Training Center, which has provided expert professional service to nearly 40,000 struggling first graders in Indiana since 1993;

Whereas, She directs the Purdue Literacy Network Project that has resulted in exemplary teacher professional development for approximately 2,000 teachers in Indiana;

Whereas, She was awarded the Celebrate Literacy Award from the Indiana Reading Council, an affiliate of the International Reading Association, for her outstanding contributions to the literacy of Indiana's children;

Whereas, She earned B.S., M.S., and Ph.D. degrees in education from Purdue University;

Whereas, She has been a professor of literacy and language education at Purdue University for ten years after teaching at DePauw University for five years;

Whereas, Professor Schmitt has served as the editor of an international literacy journal and is the author of numerous publications regarding literacy teaching and learning research that have been published in international journals and received a national research award;

Whereas, She is a renowned speaker at national and international conferences to both teach and inspire participants to believe in the success of all children as learners;

Whereas, Dr. Schmitt has conducted advocacy efforts in the United States Congress in Washington on behalf of Reading Recovery professionals nationwide; and

Whereas, She led the effort to ensure legislative funding for early intervention literacy programs in Indiana that has resulted in millions of dollars being spent on children's literacy development: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly wishes to express its gratitude to Dr. Maribeth Schmitt for the many contributions she has made to the educational system of Indiana.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Dr. Maribeth Schmitt.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution. Senate sponsor: Senator Alting.

House Concurrent Resolution 32

Representative Foley introduced House Concurrent Resolution 32:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION congratulating the Martinsville High School Academic Decathlon Team, Martinsville, Indiana, for capturing the state championship in the large school division of the Hoosier Academic Decathlon.

Whereas, The Martinsville High School Academic Decathlon Team captured the state championship in the large school division;

Whereas, This victory marks the sixth consecutive year that the Martinsville High School team has won the title and its third straight appearance at the national championships;

Whereas, This victory gave the Martinsville team the record for consecutive state championship wins among large schools;

Whereas, The Martinsville team members will represent their school at the national competition to be held in Erie, Pennsylvania, in April, 2003;

Whereas, Although the competition is divided according to the size of participating schools, only the highest scorer advances to the national contest;

Whereas, The Martinsville High School Academic Decathlon

Team scored 42,263 points in the state competition, and the next closest competitor scored 39,886 points, making this the largest margin of victory for any Martinsville High School decathlon team;

Whereas, Martinsville High School's academic teams (the Spell Bowl, Academic Decathlon, and Super Bowl teams) have won four consecutive state titles, something Coach Wayne Babbitt likens to one school winning state titles in football, basketball, and baseball, and then winning the football title again the following year;

Whereas, The contestants in the Academic Decathlon are tested in seven categories—language/literature, music, science, art, mathematics, economics, and Superquiz;

Whereas, Coach Babbitt emphasizes that, even though individuals have accomplished great things, the championship was a total team effort and that this year's team is a "special group" of kids that all work extremely hard;

Whereas, Coach Babbitt also stressed that, in addition to the honor of winning, the value of the Academic Decathlon is that it prepares the participants for college and later life by emphasizing good study skills and learning new subjects;

Whereas, This state title is a continuation of the long line of successes achieved by the Martinsville High School academic teams since the 1990-1991 school year: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly congratulates the Martinsville High School Academic Decathlon Team for capturing the state championship in the large school division of the Hoosier Academic Decathlon state championship for the sixth consecutive year and to wish them continued success in all their future endeavors.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to team members Kellie Packwood, Sadie Davis, Bryan Sims, Ross Hubbard, Scott Salmon, Katie Babbitt, Samantha Decard, and Jeff Hamilton, coach Wayne Babbitt, and the principal of Martinsville High School.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution. Senate sponsor: Senator Bray.

House Resolution 19

Representatives Welch and Grubb introduced House Resolution 19:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION recognizing Indiana Organ Procurement Organization, Inc. for its many accomplishments and acknowledging the donor community of Indiana for the gift of life.

Whereas, Countless people have been given a second chance at life through organ transplantation;

Whereas, Indiana Organ Procurement Organization, Inc. (IOPO) is the nonprofit organization that has dedicated itself to the procurement of organ, tissue, and eye donations throughout Indiana;

Whereas, Through the hard work and generous donations of Indiana families, since 2001 there has been a 30 percent increase in organ donors and a 19 percent increase in organs transplanted;

Whereas, In 2002 there were 53 heart, 203 kidney, 110 liver, 52 lung, and 24 pancreatic transplants, giving the precious gift of a second chance to live to 442 people;

Whereas, In recognition of its outstanding work in the procurement of organ donations, Indiana Organ Procurement Organization, Inc. was awarded a \$1.3 million, three year federal Health Resources Services Administration (HRSA) grant to help advance the clinical science of organ recovery to help make more organs available for transplantation from each donor;

Whereas, Of the 59 organ recovery agencies in the United States, Indiana Organ Procurement Organization, Inc. was one of only two to receive an HRSA grant;

Whereas, While the work of the IOPO is important in procuring organs for transplantation, transplant recipients would not be alive

today without the generosity of families who have made this life-giving decision;

Whereas, Organ donation also offers families of donors some comfort in their time of loss through the knowledge that their loved ones have been able to give a very ill person a second chance at life; and

Whereas, Although organ transplantation does not guarantee life, it gives a seriously ill person a chance he or she would not otherwise have had to live a normal life: Therefore,

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives
of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives wishes to thank Indiana Organ Procurement Organization, Inc. and the donor community of Indiana for helping to save many lives and their tireless efforts on behalf of seriously ill people of Indiana.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to Indiana Organ Procurement Organization, Inc.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

House Resolution 20

Representative Kuzman introduced House Resolution 20:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION to pay tribute to early childhood teachers and caregivers and to focus attention on the importance of early years.

Whereas, The Holy Family Child Care Center and other local organizations in conjunction with the National Association for the Education of Young Children, are celebrating the Week of the Young Child, April 7 through 11; and

Whereas, By calling attention to the need for high-quality early childhood services for all children and families within our community, these groups hope to improve the quality and availability of such services; and

Whereas, High-quality early childhood services represent a worthy commitment to our children's future: Therefore,

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives
of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That April 7 through 11 be proclaimed The Week of the Young Child in Indiana and that the House of Representatives urge all citizens to recognize and support the needs of young children in our communities and state.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

House Resolution 21

Representative Kuzman introduced House Resolution 21:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION recognizing Dr. Madelyn D. Kahane and the staff of the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit of the University of Chicago Hospitals for their hard work, dedication, and service to the medical profession.

Whereas, When someone is ill, especially a child, the doctors and nurses who care for that person make the difference between recovery and an extended illness;

Whereas, It is the doctor and the staff of the hospital who provide the loving care and dedication that are so vital to the successful recovery of the patient;

Whereas, One of these dedicated doctors is Dr. Madelyn D. Kahane;

Whereas, Hippocrates said that "medicine is of all the arts the most noble," and Dr. Kahane is an excellent example of the type of doctor that makes the profession so noble;

Whereas, Dr. Kahane and the staff of the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit of the University of Chicago Hospitals provide the best possible care to all their patients; even more importantly, they provide comfort and understanding at a time when the patient and family are upset and worried; and

Whereas, The lives of children and adults are saved daily thanks

to the dedication of doctors and nurses working countless hours under sometimes exhausting conditions: Therefore,

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives
of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives wishes to express its gratitude to Dr. Madelyn D. Kahane and the staff of the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit of the University of Chicago Hospitals for the loving attention and outstanding care they give to all their patients, one of whom was Evan Kuzman.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to Dr. Madelyn D. Kahane and the staff of the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit of the University of Chicago Hospitals.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

House Resolution 22

Representatives Bauer, Kromkowski, Fry, Dvorak, and Mangus introduced House Resolution 22:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION honoring Jack Colwell on the occasion of his retirement from the South Bend Tribune.

Whereas, Jack Colwell is retiring from the South Bend Tribune, bringing to an end a distinguished career as a political writer and columnist that has spanned more than 30 years;

Whereas, Jack has been the Tribune's political writer since 1964 and has written weekly political columns since 1969;

Whereas, Before coming to the Tribune, Jack worked at the Champaign-Urbana Courier and as editor for the Fifth Army newspaper;

Whereas, In 2000, Jack was inducted into the Indiana Journalism Hall of Fame as one of the top journalists who have made their career in or hail from Indiana;

Whereas, As a political writer, Jack has covered 20 national political conventions, election campaigns at the local, state, and national levels, sessions of the General Assembly, and National Governors' Association conferences;

Whereas, Jack has won numerous writing awards from the Hoosier State Press Association and the Indiana Associated Press Managing Editors;

Whereas, In addition to his duties at the Tribune, Jack has been the host of WNIT's public affairs programs since 1988;

Whereas, Although these programs have gone through various name changes over the years, the purpose has always been to provide the viewers in Northern Indiana and Southwestern Michigan a chance to meet the people elected to both state and federal offices and hear about the issues that affect their community;

Whereas, In his remarks at his induction into the Indiana Journalism Hall of Fame, Jack credited two people as being the most influential in his choice of a career—Bob Burns, his high school journalism teacher, and John J. Powers, the Tribune's retired managing editor;

Whereas, It was John J. Powers who assigned Jack his first big story, the demise of the Studebaker company in Northern Indiana, and it was Bob Burns who recruited Jack as sports editor for his high school newspaper and began a love of journalism that never died; and

Whereas, Jack's political columns are clear and interesting, and the subject matter is reported accurately and without bias, making him a role model for all aspiring reporters: Therefore,

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives
of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives wishes to acknowledge the numerous contributions and the hours of pleasure that Jack Colwell has given to the citizens of the state of Indiana and to wish him well in retirement.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representative transmit a copy of this resolution to Jack Colwell and

his family and the editor of the South Bend Tribune.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

House Resolution 23

Representative Liggett introduced House Resolution 23:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION congratulating the Wapahani High School, Selma, Indiana, volleyball team on winning the 2002 Class A state volleyball championship.

Whereas, On November 9, 2002, the Wapahani High School volleyball team wrote a page in the school's history book;

Whereas, The Raiders brought the first state championship in any sport, individual or team, home to Selma, Indiana;

Whereas, The Wapahani volleyball players appeared to be seasoned veterans in their victory over No. 1 ranked Michigan City Marquette in their first appearance in the finals;

Whereas, The Raiders, who were ranked second in Class A and had a 35 - 6 record, continued to battle throughout the finals, displaying a never-say-die defense that kept their opponents off balance offensively;

Whereas, In addition to winning the state title in Class A, the Raiders received other awards as well;

Whereas, Coach Mike Lingenfelter was named the Area Coach of the Year in the northern area;

Whereas, Christy McConnell, who ranks seventh in her class of 81, was named the Mental Attitude Award winner;

Whereas, Teammates Maren Crabtree and Danielle Hazelbaker were named to the All State Team for Class A and Erica Slusher received an honorable mention; and

Whereas, The team spirit, hard work, and dedication that helped the Wapahani Raiders reach the pinnacle of their sport should receive special acknowledgment: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly congratulates the Wapahani High School volleyball team on winning the 2002 Class A state volleyball championship and wishes the team members continued success in their future endeavors.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to team members Jericka Hensley, Maren Crabtree, Emily Schmidt, Brook Stillwagon, Danielle Hazelbaker, Jessica Vester, Andrea Shockley, Christy McConnell, Ashley Hughes, Miranda Udem, Kristen Carter, Erica Slusher, Allison Shaw, and Katelyn Seagrave, head coach Mike Lingenfelter, assistant coaches Terry Bales, Alan Davis (junior varsity), and Stewart Peck (freshmen), student assistant Katina Hellis, manager Kent Hughes, principal Bryan Rausch, and superintendent James Craig.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 5

The Speaker handed down Senate Concurrent Resolution 5, sponsored by Representatives Moses and Borror:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION to honor Bob Chase on the occasion of his 50th consecutive year of broadcasting Komets hockey games on WOWO radio, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Whereas, Bob Chase is celebrating his 50th consecutive year as the voice of the Fort Wayne Komets hockey team on WOWO radio in Fort Wayne, Indiana;

Whereas, Bob Chase has seen the Komets in good times and bad; and, throughout it all, he has remained a loyal Komets fan;

Whereas, Bob Chase was born in the Upper Peninsula town of Negaunee, Michigan, 76 years ago;

Whereas, Bob Chase graduated from Graveraet High School in Marquette, Michigan, earned a bachelor's degree in business from Northern Michigan University, and served with the Navy in the Pacific Theater during World War II;

Whereas, Bob Chase and his wife Muriel have been married for 46 years and have four children - Michael, Kurt, Karin, and David;

Whereas, Bob Chase began his career in radio when he was 23 years old at WDMJ radio in Marquette, Michigan;

Whereas, Three years later, at age 26, he left Michigan for Fort Wayne, Indiana, and radio station WOWO;

Whereas, During his stay at WOWO, Bob Chase has served as a staff announcer, disc jockey, public service director, assistant program manager, sales promotion manager, and sports director;

Whereas, During his 50 years as the voice of the Komets, Bob Chase has broadcast over 4,000 hockey games;

Whereas, Ironically, one of Bob Chase's most memorable broadcasting moments occurred at a basketball game;

Whereas, In 1954, Bob Chase broadcast the state high school basketball championship game between Muncie Central and Milan that ended with a last second shot by Bobby Plump to give Milan a 32-30 victory; this game became the basis for the movie Hoosiers;

Whereas, Bob Chase has been recognized by his fellow broadcasters for his contributions to the world of sports by being inducted into the Indiana Broadcasters Hall of Fame and the Indiana Sportscasters and Sportswriters Hall of Fame;

Whereas, In 1993, the International Hockey League (IHL) honored Bob Chase by initiating a broadcaster-of-the-year award and giving it to him;

Whereas, This IHL award is known as the Bob Chase Award;

Whereas, The state of Indiana has also recognized the many hours of listening pleasure Bob Chase has given to the listeners of WOWO radio and the citizens of the state of Indiana by awarding him a Sagamore of the Wabash, the highest civilian award presented by the Governor; and

Whereas, Although Bob Chase has worked on ore boats in Michigan's Upper Peninsula, earned a pilot's license, and camped in the Alaskan wilderness, his first priority is, and always will be, Komets hockey: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly wishes to congratulate Bob Chase on the occasion of his 50th consecutive year as the voice of Komets hockey games on WOWO radio in Fort Wayne, Indiana, and to thank him for the many hours of entertainment he has given hockey fans throughout the state of Indiana.

SECTION 2. That the Secretary of the Senate shall transmit copies of this resolution to Bob Chase, his children, the Fort Wayne Komets hockey team, and the management of radio station WOWO in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 34

The Speaker handed down Senate Concurrent Resolution 34, sponsored by Representatives GiaQuinta and Borror:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring the 30th anniversary of the creation of St. Mary's Soup Kitchen, St. Mary's Catholic Church, Fort Wayne, Indiana, and its work feeding the poor.

Whereas, St. Mary's Soup Kitchen opened on January 21, 1973, in St. Mary's Catholic Church rectory, located at 430 N. Jefferson Boulevard in Fort Wayne, Indiana;

Whereas, This year marks the 30th year that St. Mary's Soup Kitchen has been bringing food to the hungry in Fort Wayne;

Whereas, The soup kitchen was the brainchild of Father Tom O'Connor, the current pastor of St. Mary's Catholic Church;

Whereas, Over 7 million hungry people have been given bread, soup, and a sweet at the kitchen since the doors were first opened;

Whereas, The kitchen serves 1,500 people a day and makes 120 gallons of soup per day; during the holidays that amount is increased by 60 gallons per day;

Whereas, St. Mary's Soup Kitchen is not an eat-in kitchen, but a carryout operation, except on Thanksgiving Day, when everyone sits down in the kitchen and enjoys a meal together;

Whereas, The only requirement placed on people who come to St. Mary's Soup Kitchen is that they be hungry; there are no forms to fill out or questions to answer;

Whereas, Father O'Connor and the volunteers at St. Mary's Soup Kitchen feel that the needy of St. Mary's parish often already feel some embarrassment by the fact that they are in need of help and should not be further embarrassed by needless questions or forms;

Whereas, Father O'Connor and his staff of volunteers also feel that they receive as much as they give through their efforts; because by feeding the hungry, they are answering the mandate of the Gospel to feed the hungry;

Whereas, Feeding the poor is a means by which the volunteers and Father O'Connor are helping to enrich their own souls as well as those of the people they feed;

Whereas, St. Mary's Soup Kitchen also provides soup for St. Andrews and the First Baptist Church; and

Whereas, Man does not live by food alone, yet it is still necessary, and St. Mary's Soup Kitchen helps to provide food to people who may not otherwise have a hearty meal: Therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate
of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,
the House of Representatives concurring:*

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly wishes to express its gratitude to Father Tom O'Connor and the volunteers at St. Mary's Soup Kitchen for their efforts to feed the hungry and to congratulate them on the occasion of the 30th anniversary of the establishment of St. Mary's Soup Kitchen.

SECTION 2. That copies of this resolution be transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to Father Tom O'Connor and Bishop John Michael D'Arcy.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the resolution.

OTHER BUSINESS ON THE SPEAKER'S TABLE

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Representative Heim be added as cosponsor of Engrossed Senate Bill 151.

WELCH

Motion prevailed.

Pursuant to House Rule 60, committee meetings were announced.

On the motion of Representative Frenz, the House adjourned at 3:05 p.m., this tenth day of March, 2003, until Thursday, March 13, 2003, at 11:00 a.m.

B. PATRICK BAUER
Speaker of the House of Representatives

DIANE MASARIU CARTER
Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives